

December 20, 1988

Memo to File 2118-4, Q1149 against DNR

Re: Transformer Oil Spill - Robberson & Elm St.

On Dec. 20, 1988 at 11:00 A.M. Bob Corson & Steve Short came into the office and said that there was a transformer oil spill at Robberson & Elm St. I called Mr. Chuck Kroeger, M.D.N.R., and informed him of the situation. He said that he would contact the Central office. I told Chuck that I would contact City Utilities and inform them.

I contacted Mr. Dave Fraley at City Utilities and he was already aware of the problem. He said that the transformers were not C.U.s. He wanted to know who the possible owner might be. I told him it might be C. Arch Bag since the spill was on his property. Mr. Fraley wanted to know about us finding the owner & testing for PCB's. I informed him that was not our area, and thought it was more D.N.R.'s line of work. He said he would talk to Chuck Kroeger.

Mr. Kroeger called me back and said that Jefferson City was not too concerned if it was not PCB's. He did want to know if the area had been secured. It was not. Mr. Kroeger was going to go by and inspect the area.

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BBP1, as written (P)

Mr. Chuck Kroeger called at 3:15 P.M. and stated that Mr. Dave Fraley had met him at Roberson & Elm and they inspected the area. Chuck said that Mr. Fraley inspected & sampled the transformer oil. His rough testing and analysis showed < 50 P.P.M. PCB's. Chuck said that he contacted Mr. C. Arch Bay to see if the transformers belonged to him. Mr. Bay stated that they were his and that he had Marlen Electric test or sample the oil and it showed no PCB. He was going to have someone cleanup the spill. Mr. Fraley estimated the volume spilled from the smaller transformer as being < 50 gallons. He said the larger transformer, which apparently was not spilled, was > 50 gallons.

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